

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

OF

The Honourable the House of Assembly

At a meeting of the House of Assembly at the Parliament Buildings on Tuesday, the 12th day of May, 2015, pursuant to the adjournment.

PRESENT

His Honour M. A. Carrington, Q.C., B.A., LL.B. (*Speaker*) Her Honour Mrs. M-J. M. Thompson, B.A., M.Sc. (Ph. Ed.) (*Deputy Speaker*)

Rt. Hon. O. S. Arthur, M.Sc. (Econ.)

Mr. R. St. C. Toppin, LL.B. (Hons.)

Hon. D. St. E. Kellman (Minister of Housing, Lands and Rural Development)

Hon. Miss M. A. Mottley, Q.C., LL.B. (*Leader of the Opposition*)

Miss C. Y. Forde, J.P., L.C.P.

Hon. R. D. Jones, B.A. (Hons.), M.A. Ed., J.P. (Minister of Education, Science, Technology and Innovation)

Dr. the Hon. D. C. Estwick, B.Sc., M.B., B.S.

(Minister of Agriculture, Food,
Fisheries, and Water Resource
Management)

Mr. D. D. Marshall, Q.C., LL.B. (Hons.), L.E.C. Hon. M. A. Lashley, LL.B. (Hons.) (Minister of Transport and Works)

Hon. R. L. Sealy, B.Sc., M.B.A. (Acting Prime Minister and Minister of Tourism and International Transport)

Hon. J. D. E. Boyce, M.Sc., C. Eng.
(Minister of Health) (Leader of the House)

Hon. S. D. Blackett (Minister of Social Care, Constituency Empowerment and Community Development)

Mr. J. D. Paul, B.Sc. (Chairman of Committees)

Dr. the Hon. D. S. Lowe, Dip. Theology, B.A., M.Ed., Ed.D. (Minister of Environment and Drainage)

Hon. A. D. Brathwaite, Q.C., LL.B. (Hons.)
(Attorney General and Minister of Home Affairs)

Hon. S. A. Lashley, B.Sc., LL.B. (Hons.), L.E.C. (Minister of Culture, Sports and Youth)

Hon. D. O'N. Inniss, B.Sc., M.B.A. (Minister of Industry, International Business, Commerce and Small Business Development)

Hon. C. P. Sinckler, B.A., M.Sc. (Minister of Finance and Economic Affairs)

Mr. T. A. Prescod, B.A.

Mr. K. D. Symmonds, B.A., LL.B.

Lt. Col. J. D. Bostic, MVO, B.A. (Hons.)

Mr. E. G. Hinkson, LL.B. (Hons.), L.E.C., LL.M.

Dr. M. M. Agard, J.P., B.Sc., M.Sc., D.D.S.

Mr. D. G. Sutherland, B.Sc., M.Sc., M.B.A. (Dist.)

Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw, LL.B. (Hons.)

ABSENT

Mr. G. W. Payne, Q.C., Mr. G. A. Clarke, J.P., B.Sc., Dip. Ed. and Rt. Hon. F. J. Stuart, Q.C., B.A., LL.M. (*Prime Minister, Minister of National Security, The Public Service and Urban Development*)

Mr. Speaker took the Chair at 10.15 a.m.

Prayers were taken by Rev. Mark Harewood.

MINUTES

The Minutes of the meeting of Tuesday, 5th May, 2015 were taken as read and were confirmed on the motion of Hon. J. D. E. Boyce seconded by Hon. A. D. Brathwaite.

ANNOUNCEMENTS BY HIS HONOUR THE SPEAKER

Mr. Speaker announced that he was in receipt of a letter from the Leader of the Opposition requesting that the Hon. Member for St. Joseph replace the Rt. Hon. O. S. Arthur Member for St. Peter on the Public Accounts Committee. He also said that effective today, 12th May, 2015, the Hon. Member for St. Joseph had been appointed to the Public Accounts Committee.

PAPERS

By command Hon. J. D. E. Boyce laid the Report on the Audit of the Accounts of the National Insurance Fund 2003.

By command Hon. C. P. Sinckler laid the following:

- 1. Duties, Taxes and Other Payments (Exemption) (CITIBANK N.A.) Order, 2015.
- 2. Annual Report and Financial Statements of the Accountant General for the Financial Year 2013-2014.
- 3. Annual Report of the Central Bank of Barbados 2014.

FIRST READINGS OF BILLS

On the motion of Dr. the Hon. D. S. Lowe seconded by Hon. J. D. E. Boyce the Sanitation Service Authority (Amendment) Bill, 2015 was read a first time.

ORDERS OF THE DAY SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS

On the motion of Hon. J. D. E. Boyce seconded by Hon. A. D. Brathwaite Standing Orders 6, 16, 18, 20, 42(5) 43 and 44 were suspended for the remainder of the day's Sitting.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS ORDER NO. 2

CUSTOMS (AMENDMENT) BILL, 2015

On the Order being called for Hon. C. P. Sinckler to move the second reading of the Bill entitled an Act to amend the Customs Act, Cap. 66 to authorise the Comptroller to undertake post clearance audits, the Hon. Member spoke and moved seconded by Hon. S. A. Lashley that the Bill be read a second time.

Mr. D. D. Marshall began to speak.

Mr. Speaker spoke.

Mr. D. D. Marshall concluded his speech.

Hon. S. A. Lashley spoke.

Hon. D. St. E. Kellman spoke.

Mr. J. D. Paul spoke.

Hon. C. P. Sinckler spoke in reply.

The Bill was read a second time.

On the motion of Hon. C. P. Sinckler seconded by Hon. J. D. E. Boyce the House went into Committee, Mr. J. D. Paul in the Chair.

Clause 1 as amended was called and passed on the motion of Hon. C. P. Sinckler seconded by Hon. J. D. E. Boyce.

Clauses 2 and 3 were called and passed on the separate motion of Hon. C. P. Sinckler seconded by Hon. J. D. E. Boyce.

On the motion of Hon. C. P. Sinckler seconded by Hon. J. D. E. Boyce the Chairman reported the passing of the Bill in Committee and Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and reported accordingly.

On the separate motion of Hon. C. P. Sinckler seconded by Hon. J. D. E. Boyce the Bill was read a third time and passed and the title read and agreed to.

SUSPENSION

On the motion of Hon. J. D. E. Boyce seconded by Hon. A. D. Brathwaite the Sitting was suspended to 2.30 p.m.

At 1.04 p.m. the Speaker suspended the Sitting.

RESUMPTION

On resumption Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

ORDER NO. 15

MUNICIPAL SOLID WASTE TAX (AMENDMENT) BILL, 2015

On the motion of Hon. R. D. Jones seconded by Hon. A. D. Brathwaite the Bill was withdrawn.

ORDER NO. 17

LAND TAX (AMENDMENT) BILL, 2015

On the Order being called for Hon. C. P. Sinckler to move the second reading of the Bill entitled the Land Tax (Amendment) Bill, 2015,

the Hon. Member spoke and moved seconded by Hon. R. D. Jones that the Bill be read a second time.

Hon. Miss M. A. Mottley spoke.

Hon. C. P. Sinckler spoke in reply.

The Bill was read a second time.

On the motion of Hon. C. P. Sinckler seconded by Hon. R. D. Jones the House went into Committee, Mr. J. D. Paul in the Chair.

On the separate motion of Hon. C. P. Sinckler seconded by Hon. A. D. Brathwaite Clauses 1 to 3 were called and passed.

On the motion of Hon. C. P. Sinckler seconded by Hon. A. D. Brathwaite the Chairman reported the passing of the Bill in Committee and Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and reported accordingly.

On the separate motion of Hon. C. P. Sinckler seconded by Hon. A. D. Brathwaite the Bill was read a third time and passed and the title read and agreed to.

ORDER NO. 16

Hon. D. St. E. Kellman spoke on the following Resolution:

RESOLVED that Parliament in accordance with section 5 of the *Crown Lands* (*Vesting and Disposal*) *Act*, Cap. 225, approve the vesting in the Barbados Tourism Investment Inc. of the parcel of land the property of the Crown situate at Bay Street in the parish of Saint Michael in this Island, known as the Old Fish Market Site and more particularly described in the *Schedule* to this Resolution for tourism development.

SCHEDULE

ALL THAT land situate at Bay Street in the parish of Saint Michael in this Island containing by admeasurement 1,235.9 square metres or thereabouts Abutting and Bounding on a road called Bay Street leading to the Garrison in one direction and to Bridgetown in another direction on lands now or late of Christopher Codrington on other lands of the Government of Barbados (beach) on lands of Hakkim Co. Ltd., or however else the same may abut and bound as shown and delineated on Plan certified on the 24th day of May, 2000 by Andrew P. Weekes, Land Surveyor and recorded in the Lands and Surveys Department as Plan No. 477/2000.

and moved seconded by Hon. D. O'N. Inniss that the Resolution do now pass.

Lt. Col. J. D. Bostic spoke.

Hon. R. L. Sealy spoke.

Hon. J. D. E. Boyce spoke.

Hon. D. St. E. Kellman began to speak.

Lt. Col. J. D. Bostic spoke on a point of order.

Hon. D. St. E. Kellman spoke in reply.

The Resolution was passed.

ADJOURNMENT

On the motion of Hon. J. D. E. Boyce seconded by Hon. A. D. Brathwaite the House was adjourned to Monday, 15th June, 2015 at 4.00 p.m.

At 3.32 p.m. the Speaker adjourned the House.

RICHARD P. BYER Deputy Clerk of Parliament.

The Minutes were certified correct and confirmed the , 2015.

day of

Speaker.

HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS BRIDGETOWN.

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